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Office Action Summary

Application No.

09/982,652

Applicant(s)

KRAPF ET AL.

Examiner

KIEU-OANH BUI

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Status

- 1) ☒ Responsive to communication(s) filed on 18 August 2006.
2a) ☒ This action is **FINAL**. 2b) ☐ This action is non-final.
3) ☐ Since this application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with the practice under *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.

Disposition of Claims

- 4) ☒ Claim(s) 1-84 is/are pending in the application.
4a) Of the above claim(s) _____ is/are withdrawn from consideration.
5) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are allowed.
6) ☒ Claim(s) 1-84 is/are rejected.
7) ☐ Claim(s) _____ is/are objected to.
8) ☐ Claim(s) _____ are subject to restriction and/or election requirement.

Application Papers

- 9) ☐ The specification is objected to by the Examiner.
10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on _____ is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.
Applicant may not request that any objection to the drawing(s) be held in abeyance. See 37 CFR 1.85(a).
Replacement drawing sheet(s) including the correction is required if the drawing(s) is objected to. See 37 CFR 1.121(d).
11) ☐ The oath or declaration is objected to by the Examiner. Note the attached Office Action or form PTO-152.

Priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119

- 12) ☐ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:
1. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
2. ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. _____.
3. ☐ Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).

* See the attached detailed Office action for a list of the certified copies not received.

Attachment(s)

- 1) ☐ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
2) ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
3) ☒ Information Disclosure Statement(s) (PTO/SB/08)
Paper No(s)/Mail Date 09/29/2006
4) ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413)
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DETAILED ACTION

Remark

1. Claims 49-78 have been canceled, and claims 79-84 have been newly added. Claims 1-48, and 79-84 are pending for reconsideration.

Response to Arguments

2. Applicant's arguments filed on 08/15/06 have been fully considered but they are not persuasive. Amended claims with arguments are not persuasive, please review the following revised office action according to the recent amendments.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC 102

3. The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless --

(b) the invention was patented or described in a printed publication in this or a foreign country or in public use or on sale in this country, more than one year prior to the date of application for patent in the United States.

4. Claims 1-48 and 79-84 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Hite et al. (U.S. Patent No. 5,774,170).

Regarding claim 1, Hite discloses a method for displaying a targeted advertisement to a viewer of a display in conjunction with displaying a broadcast stream on the display comprising the first three steps a-c (as claimed) for the displaying of a broadcast stream or video stream based on the selection from the user/viewer using a viewing control interface, i.e., a remote control (see Fig. 5, item 446 for the remote controller; and col. 14/lines 21-58 as the controller selects which broadcast signal stream for displaying to the user/viewer). Hite further teaches the

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last three steps as the user profile is used for determining the first targeted advertisement delivered to the viewer (Fig. 2 and col. 11/lines 13-30).

Hite further teaches the amended features of “receiving a first signal from a viewer control interface indicating a viewer command to the audiovisual system”... for the system to initiate a corresponding action; and “defining a viewer profile of the viewer of the display based on the viewer command” (refer to col. 14/lines 47-65 as the viewer uses the remote control in controlling the system; in other words, the system receives from the viewer control interface the viewer command; and col. 4/lines 52-61 & col. 8/lines 18-38 as the viewers’ data are collected based on their preferences and/or selection of the advertisements, and the system determines the most appropriate commercial to them based on their demographics, i.e., user or viewer profiles.)

As for claims 2-9, these repetitive claims simply refer to the viewer update profile to the headend, and based on the updated viewer profile, the updated or second advertisement is delivered or broadcasted to the viewer (col. 3/line 65 to col. 4/line 23; col. 11/lines 13-45 for the algorithm to consistently update the consumer database and provide updated and appropriate advertisements to the viewer). Furthermore, Hite further teaches to include the action selected from the group consisting of recording the first advertisement, specifying on how to display the first advertisement, and replaying the first advertisement (see col. 7/line 15 to col. 8/line 38 for same objectives).

As for claim 10-13, Hite teaches these features for displaying ID of at least one of the stored advertisements, menu or list of advertisements on the display, including a banner or an icon (refer to Figs. 2 & 3; and col. 9/line 43 to col. 10/line 53).

As for claims 14-16, Hite further teaches these features as the updated (second) advertisement needs to follow the first advertisement, i.e., even the viewer changes the channel, the advertisement can be continued to complete on the new channel (col. 7/line 65 to col. 8/line 17); and the displaying for the above advertisements are at the same time for displaying regularly scheduled advertisements within the broadcast stream (col. 7/line 65 to col. 8/line 17 for the displaying time slots are adjacent and on the regularly scheduled advertisements).

As for claims 17-20, Hite further discloses wherein the broadcast stream is a TV broadcast stream, a cable broadcast stream, a satellite broadcast stream, and an Internet broadcast stream (col. 5/lines 40-50; col. 6/line 60 to col. 7/line 14; col. 7/line 52-col. 8/line 17; and col. 13/line 58 to col. 14/line 58 for a wide range of sources and digital/analog/coaxial, cable, satellite, cable modem etc.).

As for claims 21-24, Hite further teaches these features as the object of Hite is to target advertisements to each viewer based on their profile (col. 3/lines 20-28 & col. 4/lines 3-18), and the advertisements can be stored on a hard disk (Fig. 5/item 456 and col. 14/lines 32-46 for storing and playback including the commercials or advertisements).

As for claims 25-48 and 79-84, these claims with same features as claimed earlier are rejected for the reasons given in the scope of claims 1-24 as disclosed in details above. In addition, Hite teaches on how to maneuver the advertisements by including the action selected from the group consisting of recording the first advertisement, specifying on how to display the first advertisement, and replaying the first advertisement (see col. 7/line 15 to col. 8/line 38 for same objectives).

Conclusion

5. Applicant's amendment necessitated the new ground(s) of rejection presented in this Office action. Accordingly, **THIS ACTION IS MADE FINAL**. See MPEP § 706.07(a). Applicant is reminded of the extension of time policy as set forth in 37 CFR 1.136(a).

A shortened statutory period for reply to this final action is set to expire THREE MONTHS from the mailing date of this action. In the event a first reply is filed within TWO MONTHS of the mailing date of this final action and the advisory action is not mailed until after the end of the THREE-MONTH shortened statutory period, then the shortened statutory period will expire on the date the advisory action is mailed, and any extension fee pursuant to 37 CFR 1.136(a) will be calculated from the mailing date of the advisory action. In no event, however, will the statutory period for reply expire later than SIX MONTHS from the date of this final action.

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